

Neighborhood Watch Involved in Kidnapping Exercise

On February 21, several neighborhood watch groups were involved in a kidnapping scenario for police and volunteers to exercise how to best respond to a child abduction in Sandy. The training was very successful as police officers and volunteers located the missing child in less than half the expected time.



Time is critical in locating a missing child. Here is how to be prepared: First, if your child is missing, immediately report the incident to the police by calling 911. Next, limit the access to your home or the crime scene until law enforcement arrives and has collected possible evidence. Finally, put together identification kits (including fingerprints, DNA samples, and pictures) for all your loved ones. Have these kits available to give to the police. Identification kits are available at the Sandy Police Department information desk. Neighborhood watch groups should be prepared to contact those in the area and search yards, nearby parks, and so forth.

Acting quickly and properly can help save a life.

Reporting Graffiti

We need your help in identifying and removing graffiti throughout the city. If you spot graffiti anywhere in Sandy, please immediately call 568-2900. If you see someone in the act of vandalizing property with graffiti or in any other manner, call police dispatch at 840-4000. If graffiti is on private property, city personnel will seek permission from the property owner before removing the graffiti. If graffiti is on city property, it will be removed right away. City staff and police officers document all graffiti incidents, assign case numbers, and work to convict those who are painting graffiti in Sandy. With your help, we can keep this nuisance from being a problem in our city.



If you spot graffiti in Sandy, report it immediately so city crews may remove it as soon as possible.

Underage Drinking Prevention

The Healthy Sandy Partnership is working with cities across Utah to combat underage drinking. As part of the effort, Healthy Sandy invites all residents to a town meeting on April 19 to discuss underage alcohol use. The town meeting will be at 7 p.m. at the Salt Lake Fellowship Church, 615 East 9800 South, in Sandy. Research shows that drinking alcohol as a teenager leads to brain impairment and a high rate of alcohol dependency later in life. Efforts to curb underage drinking are taking place nationwide during April as part of Alcohol Awareness Month. For more information, visit www.StopAlcoholAbuse.gov.



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Sandy Beautification Contest

Each year Sandy City sponsors a beautification contest among citizens and businesses to encourage property owners to maintain beautiful landscaping and reward those who have made a positive aesthetic impact on their neighborhood and community. The contest has awards in the following categories: most improved, water-wise landscaping, overall attractiveness, best neighborhood, and commercial properties. With spring here, this is a great time to start planning and planting in order to get ready for this contest. You can work on improving your yard throughout the summer and submit an entry form prior to August 1. Entry forms are available at www.sandy.utah.gov or by contacting Ray Lindenburg in the Community Development Department at 568-7269 or by email at rlindenburg@sandy.utah.gov.

